

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended) A hybrid gas generator, ~~comprising~~
comprising:

a cylindrical outer housing (10) having a longitudinal axis (A),

a pressure chamber (12) filled with compressed gas and closed by a membrane (14),

a pyrotechnic charge (38) provided for opening said membrane (14), said charge (38) being accommodated in a bush-shaped charge housing (28) which has a longitudinal axis (B) arranged substantially at right-angles to said longitudinal axis (A) of said outer housing (10) and extends into said housing (10), and

an outflow opening (20) provided in said outer housing (10), ~~characterized in that~~ and

a separate holding body (64) arranged inside said outer housing (10) a separate holding body (64) is provided for retaining said charge housing (28), said holding body (64), in an activated state of said gas generator, being fastened both to said charge housing (28) and, additionally, to a part of said gas generator which is not ~~destroyed~~ destroyed in an the activated state of said gas generator to act against displacement of said holding body along said longitudinal axis away from said charge housing.

Claim 2 (Original) The hybrid gas generator according to claim 1, characterized in that said holding body (64) engages on said charge housing (28) such that it has an effect against a movement thereof in a direction of at least one of said longitudinal axis (B) and said longitudinal axis (A).

Claim 3 (Original) The hybrid gas generator according to claim 1, characterized in that said pressure chamber (12) has an end wall (17) facing said charge housing (28), said holding body (64) being provided inside said outer housing (10) between said charge housing (28) and said end wall (17).

Claim 4 (Original) The hybrid gas generator according to claim 1, characterized in that said pressure chamber (12) is defined by a bottle-shaped container (16) with a peripheral wall that forms a section of said outer housing (10) of said gas generator, said container (16) having an end face which forms said end wall (17) adjacent to which said holding body (64) is arranged.

Claim 5 (Original) The hybrid gas generator according to claim 3, characterized in that said end wall (17) has an opening (19) closed by said membrane (14), said membrane (14) being fastened to a membrane holder (15) which in turn is arranged on said end wall (17).

Claim 6 (Original) The hybrid gas generator according to claim 5, characterized in that said holding body (64) adjoins said membrane holder (15).

Claim 7 (Currently Amended) The hybrid gas generator according to claim 1, characterized in that the part being non-destructed in the activated state of said gas generator is fastened to a container defining said pressure chamber (12).

Claim 8 (Currently Amended) The hybrid gas generator according to claim 1, characterized in the that part being non-destructed in the activated state of said gas generator is a membrane holder (15).

Claim 9 (Original) The hybrid gas generator according to claim 4, characterized by a sleeve (18) which is connected with said peripheral wall of said container (16) and forms a further section of said outer housing (10).

Claim 10 (Original) The hybrid gas generator according to claim 9, characterized in that an insertion opening (24) is provided in said sleeve (18).

Claim 11 (Original) The hybrid gas generator according to claim 1, characterized in that said holding body (64) is hollow and forms a channel (70) between said charge housing (28) and said membrane (14), so that gas which leaves said charge housing (28) is directed to said membrane (14).

Claim 12 (Original) A hybrid gas generator, comprising:

a cylindrical outer housing (10) having a longitudinal axis (A),

a pressure chamber (12) filled with compressed gas and closed by a membrane (14),

a pyrotechnic charge (38) provided for opening said membrane (14), said charge (38) being accommodated in a bush-shaped charge housing (28) which has a longitudinal axis (B) arranged substantially at right-angles to said longitudinal axis (A) of said outer housing (10) and extends into said housing (10),

an outflow opening (20) provided in said outer housing (10), and

a separate holding body (64) arranged inside said outer housing (10) for retaining said charge housing (28), said holding body (64) being fastened both to said charge housing (28) and, additionally, to a part of said gas generator which is not destructed in an activated state of said gas generator, wherein ~~The hybrid gas generator according to claim 1,~~

~~characterized in that~~ said sleeve (18) has a peripheral wall (22) and said charge housing (28) is fastened on a section (32) of said peripheral wall (22) lying diametrically opposite said insertion opening (24), said fastening having an effect at least against displacement in said direction of said longitudinal axis (A) of said outer housing (10).

Claim 13 (Original) The hybrid gas generator according to claim 1, characterized in that said charge housing (28) has at least one opening (40) directed to said membrane (14).

Claim 14 (Original) The hybrid gas generator according to claim 1, characterized in that said outer housing (10) has an axial outflow opening (20) at one axial end.

Claim 15 (Original) The hybrid gas generator according to claim 1, characterized in that said charge housing (28) is arranged outside said pressure chamber (12).

Claim 16 (Original) The hybrid gas generator according to claim 1, characterized in that said holding body (64) has at least one of said channels (70) through which gas will flow when said gas generator is activated.

Claim 17 (New) The hybrid gas generator according to claim 1, wherein said separate holding body (64) retains said charge housing (28) in a longitudinal direction of said charge housing (28) to avoid movement of said charge housing in the longitudinal direction of said charge housing.